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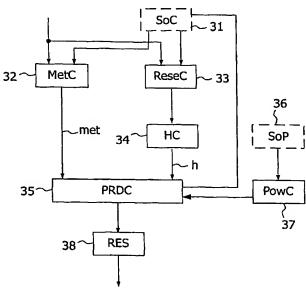
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(54) Title: METHOD OF ENCODING FOR HANDHELD APPARATUSES



(57) Abstract: The present invention relates to a method of encoding a sequence of pictures, a picture being divided into blocks of data, said encoding method comprising the steps of: - computing a residual error block from a difference between a current block contained in a current picture and a candidate area using of a prediction function, - computing an entropy of the residual error block, -computing an overall error between said current block and said candidate area, - estimating a power consumption of a video processing device adapted to implement said prediction function, - computing a rate-distortion value on the basis of the entropy, the overall error and the estimated power consumption of the video processing device, - applying the preceding steps to a set of candidate areas using a set of prediction functions in order to select a prediction function according to the rate-distortion value.



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